hochschule dual is not a university of applied sciences, but the umbrella brand for the cooperative study option in Bavaria. The initiative not only combines all the cooperative study courses in one centralized information platform, it also acts as a service point for prospective students, universities of applied sciences and companies. As an umbrella brand with uniform quality standards, hochschule dual oversees and provides information about all the cooperative study programmes offered by the universities of applied sciences in Bavaria.

More information

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The Bavarian Cooperative Study Option

What are the benefits of cooperative study?

- Extensive practical relevance: close integration between the theoretical knowledge gained from the university degree and practical experience gained at the company or institution.
- Structured, high-level training.
- Financial support from the company.
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Applicants from universities of applied sciences face particularly high expectations of practical qualification and state-of-the-art equipment. Besides courses such as technology engineering, computer sciences, or applied natural sciences, you can also choose among a wide range of areas such as economics, social sciences, design and media.

Dual qualifications in the cooperative study programme combined with vocational training, two state-recognized qualifications: a bachelor’s degree and a vocational qualification.

Why Bavaria?

Living in Bavaria

In Bavaria you will discover a very special style of living – a unique mix of vibrant cities and tranquil countryside. In your free time, there will be plenty of opportunities for leisure activities such as skiing or swimming in the many lakes. Bavaria also offers a rich cultural life. Bavaria is also one of the safest states in Germany; there is a high level of security in the cities as well as in the entire region. Students from all over the world enjoy an excellent standard of living and feel at home here.

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Two is a winning combination – There are over 220 dual cooperative study options in Bavaria. You can work in a company for the practical component from the 2nd/3rd/4th semester onwards, as described above. The bottomline: Starting a course with internships in company training is flexible.

Admission Requirements for Bachelor's Degrees

You need a valid university entrance qualification (“Abitur” or “Abiturgesprichtest”) to enter any degree course in Bavaria. This is a secondary school leaving certificate equivalent to the German “Abitur” that entitles you to study at a German university. If you do not have a German university entrance qualification, foreign certificates have to be approved by the respective university at which you wish to study. The respective university is responsible for verifying your qualifications.

You should have a good understanding of German, qualification abroad. In addition to the general conditions for study in Bavaria if you gained your university entrance qualification abroad, you also sit the exam for the vocational qualification.

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